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TO : Chief, Industrial Division, ORR DATE: 1 May 1956

FROM : Acting Chief, Medium Machinery Branch

SUBJECT: Monthly Report for April 1956.

1. ACCOMPLISHMENTS

A. Branch Projects Submitted

ORR Project No. 34.596, (Top Secret)

B. Other Projects Submitted

ORR Project No. 10.1077 (NIE 11-6-56), Capabilities and Trends of Soviet Science and Technology, (Contribution)

ORR Project No. 30.811, NIS-39, (China), Chapter VI, Section 64, Manufacturing and Construction, (Coordination)

C. Special Research

A total of 96 hours time was expended in special research during April, -- The fiscal year total of such activity is 1101 hours.

D. Other

Contribution to Current Intelligence Digest, USSR Building 30,000 Ton Press

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Requirements for OCI Periodic Requirements List, 1 May - 31 July 1956

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2. TRAINING

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A. [redacted]
Elementary Russian Reading Course
Entered - 19 September 1955
Completion - 15 June 1956

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B. [redacted]
Basic Management
Entered - 23 April 1956
Completion - 4 May 1956

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C. [redacted]
ORR Special Material Training (Phase I)
Entered - 2 April 1956
Completed - 13 April 1956

3. TRIPS - None

4. ADMINISTRATION

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A. [redacted] entered the Branch in early April for clerical typing duty.

5. PLANS

A. In view of the inadequacy of available information, Chief I/MM has recommended cancellation of ORR Project No. 30.829, Stock of Machine Tools in the USSR. Careful study of the subject in representative areas of industry has developed the conclusion that the project is currently not feasible.

B. In a project initiation memorandum dated 11 April 1956, Chief I/MM proposed establishment of a branch project on "Trends in Automation and Mechanization of Industry in the USSR". It is felt that a study of progress already made in introducing automation and mechanization into Soviet industry, and planning for further extension by 1960, will assist materially in evaluating Soviet economic capabilities. It is proposed to complete this study in FY 1956. Responsible analysts were indicated as [redacted] 25X1A9a

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C. In connection with study of the instrument components of guided missiles, particularly intermediate range and intercontinental types, it is proposed to have [redacted] visit [redacted] New York, during May. Information obtained by [redacted] on previous visits to American manufacturers has been highly valuable in study of the economic factors involved in gyro production.

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6. PROBLEMS - No comments

7. RECOMMENDATIONS - No comments

8. OTHER INFORMATION - No comments

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